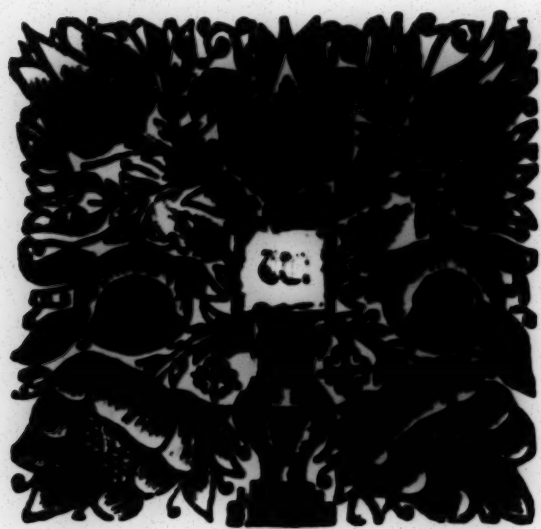


BY THE
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PROCLAMATION.

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WHEREAS in and by one Act of Parliament passed in this Kingdom, in the Ninth Year of His Majesty's Reign, Intituled, An Act for Banishing all Papists exercising any Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, and all Regulars of the Popish Clergy out of this Kingdom. It is amongst other things Enacted, That all Popish Arch-Bishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Deans, Jesuits, Monks, Fryers, and all other Regular Popish Clergy, and all Papists exercising any Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, shall depart out of this Kingdom before the First day of May, which shall be in the year of our Lord God, 1698. and if any of the said Ecclesiastical persons shall be at any time after the said First day of May within this Kingdom, they and every of them shall suffer Imprisonment, and remain in Prison without Bail or Mainprize, till he or they shall be Transported beyond Seas, out of His Majesty's Dominions, where-ever His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, or the chief Governor or Governors of this Kingdom for the time being shall think fit: And if any person so Transported shall return again into this Kingdom, they and every of them shall be Guilty of High-Treason, and ever person so offending, shall for his Offence be Adjudged a Traytor, and shall Suffer, Lose and Forfeit as in case of High-Treason. And by another Clause in the said Act, it is Enacted, That from and after the 29th day of Decemb^r, 1697. no Popish Arch-Bishop, Bishop, Vicar-General, Dean, nor any other Papist exercising any Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, not established by the Laws of this Kingdom, Jesuite or Fryer shall come into this Kingdom, from any parts beyond the Seas, on pain
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of Twelve Months Imprisonment, and then to be Transported in manner aforesaid: And if any such Romish Ecclesiastical person so Transported, shall again return into this Kingdom, he and they so offending shall be Guilty of High-Treason, and suffer accordingly. And be it further Enacted, That any person that shall from and after the said First day of May, knowingly Harbour, Relieve, Conceal or Entertain any such Popish Arch Bishop, Bishop, Vicar-General, Dean, Jesuite, Fryer, or any other Papist exercising any Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, not established by the Laws of this Kingdom, or any Regular Popish Clergy-man, hereby required to depart out of this Kingdom in manner aforesaid; or that from and after the said 29th of December, 1697. shall come into this Kingdom contrary to the tenor of this Act, shall for the First Offence forfeit the Sum of Twenty pounds, for the Second Offence double the said Sum, to be levied in manner herein after expressed; and if he shall Offend the Third time, to forfeit all his Lands and Tenements of Freehold or Inheritance during his Life, and also all his Goods and Chattles, one moyety whereof to His Majesty His Heirs and Successors, the other moyety to such person as shall Inform, so as such moyety do not exceed the Sum of One hundred pounds, and the Sur-plus of what shall remain, to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors; the said forfeiture for such Third Offence, to be recovered by Bill, Complaint, Information or Action of Debt, in any His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Dublin*, or at the Assizes in the respective Counties.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That upon Information on Oath to any Justice of Peace in his respective County, against any person or persons that shall knowingly Entertain, Favour, Relieve or Conceal any such Popish Arch-Bishop, Bishop, Jesuite, Fryer, or other Ecclesiastical Popish person, contrary to the purport and meaning of this Act, the said Justice of the Peace shall immediately issue a Summons in Writing under his Hand, thereby requiring the person and persons so Informed against, at a certain day and place within the said County, where such Offence shall be committed, to appear before him and some other Justice of the Peace of the said County, to answer the said Matter laid to his or their Charge; at which time and place, the said Justices shall in presence of the person or persons accused, or in case of his or their neglect to appear being duly Summoned, proceed to the Examination of the said Matter; and if it shall appear to them on Evidence upon Oath, that the person or persons so complained of are Guilty, the said Justices shall by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, levy the aforesaid forfeitures of Twenty pounds for the First Offence, and Forty pounds for the Second Offence, of the Goods and Chattles of the person or persons Offending, by Distress, Sale or otherwise, and dispose of one moyety of such forfeitures to the Informer or Informers, and the other moyety to the Treasurer of the County where such Offence shall be committed, for the use of the County, and for default thereof, to commit the person Offending to the County Goal, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize until he or they shall pay the said Forfeitures and Penalties.

And it is further Enacted, That all and every Justice of the Peace shall from time to time, Issue their Warrants for Apprehending and Committal of all Popish Arch-Bishops, Bishops, Jesuits, Fryers and other Popish Ecclesiastical persons whatsoever, that shall remain and continue in this Kingdom contrary to the tenor and meaning of this Act.

And it is thereby further Enacted, that if any Justice of the Peace, Mayor, or other Officer shall neglect doing their Duty in Execution of this present Act, every such Justice of the Peace, Mayor and other Officer, shall for every such neglect Forfeit the Sum of One hundred pounds, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Complaint or Information, wherein no Protection, Essoyn or Wager of Law shall be

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allowed of nor but one Imparlance; one moyety thereof to the King's Majesty His Heirs and Successors, the other moyety to the Informer or person that shall Sue for the same, and be disabled from serving as a Justice of Peace during his Life.

And Whereas in and by one other Act of Parliament passed in this Kingdom, in the said Ninth Year of His Majesty's Reign, Intituled, An Act to hinder the Reversal of several Outlawries and Attainders, and to prevent the return of Subjects of this Kingdom who have gone into the Dominions of the French King in Europe. It is amongst several other Clauses Enacted in these Words following, (viz.) Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any person or persons being His Majesty's Subject or Subjects, who have gone out of this Kingdom at any time since the Tenth day of April, 1689. during the late War with France into France, or any of the French King's Dominions in Europe, other then such as have gone thither by His Majesty's particular Licence or Command, shall from and after the Twenty third day of October, 1697. voluntary come or return from France, or any of the French King's Dominions in Europe into this Kingdom, without His Majesty's, His Heirs or Successors Licence or leave under the Great Seal of this Kingdom; and that also subject to the Restrictions and Limitations herein after mentioned and expressed for that purpose had and obtained, and be thereof Convicted by due course of Law; every person so Offending shall be Taken, Deemed and Adjudged to be Guilty of High-Treason, and shall suffer such penalties as in Cases of High-Treason, and shall and may be Indicted and Tryed for the same, in such County of this Realm, as His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, by His or Their Commission under the Great Seal of this Kingdom shall appoint.

And Whereas several Titular Popish Arch-Bishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Deans, Jesuits, Monks, Fryers and other Regular Popish Clergy, and Papists exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, and who were in this Kingdom at the time of making the said Act for Banishing them, and were afterwards Transported beyond the Seas, out of His Majesty's Dominions, according to the Directions of the said Act. And that from time to time, since the making the said Laws, the chief Governors and Council of this Kingdom, have taken all Imaginable Care to have the said Two several Acts of Parliament put into due Execution, on the due and strict Observation, whereof the Peace and Security of this Kingdom do in a great measure depend. Notwithstanding which We have received certain Information, that some Popish Arch-Bishops, Bishops, Vicar-General, Deans, Jesuits, Monks, Fryers, and other Regulars of the Popish Clergy, and other Papists exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, and who were in this Kingdom at the making of the said Act, were Entertained, Concealed, and Harboured by several of His Majesty's Subjects in this Kingdom, and remained in this Kingdom after the time Limited by the said Act for their Transportation, and some of those who were so Transported beyond the Seas out of His Majesty's Dominions, have since their Transportation returned again into this Kingdom, and other Popish Arch-Bishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Deans, Jesuits, Monks, Fryers, and other Regulars of the Popish Clergy, and other Papist exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, have lately come into this Kingdom, and dayly come over in great numbers, which can be with no other Design or purpose, then to withdraw His Majesty's good Subjects from their due Allegiance and Obedience, and to stir up and move Sedition and Rebellion in this Kingdom, and Disquiet the Minds of His Majesty's Loyal Subjects here. And We have likewise Received farther Information, that several persons being His Majesty's Subjects, and who went out of this Kingdom

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since the Tenth of April, 1689. during the late War with France into France, or some other of the French Kings Dominions in Europe, have voluntarily come and returned into this Kingdom from France, or some other of the French Kings Dominions, after the Twenty third of October, 1697. and dayly come over into several parts of this Kingdom in great Numbers, contrary to the said last recited Act, to the great terror of His Majesty's good Subjects, they being persons of desperate Fortunes, and envious of the Peace and Tranquility of this Kingdom; and not only the said Popish Arch-Bishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Deans, Jesuits, Monks, Fryers, and other Regulars of the Popish Clergy, and other Papists exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction remaining in returning or coming into this Kingdom contrary to the said first recited Act, but also all the said several other persons prohibited to Return into this Kingdom, by the said other recited Act, after the Twenty third of October, 1697. and who have returned and come into this Kingdom since the said Twenty third of October, 1697. are knowingly Entertained, Harboured, Concealed and Relieved by several of His Majesty's Subjects of this Kingdom, contrary to Law.

We therefore the Lords Justices and Council, having taken the premises into Our Consideration, for the more effectual and better Execution of the said two several recited Acts of Parliament, have thought fit, and accordingly We do think fit by this Our Proclamation, strictly to charge and require all Mayors, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, and other Officers and Ministers of Justice, within their several Jurisdictions, to make strict and diligent enquiry after all such Person and Persons, as they shall find to have offended against the said recited Statutes, or either of them. And We do hereby Publish and Declare, that all and every such Person and Persons who shall remain or stay in this Kingdom, or return or come into this Kingdom, or that shall Conceal or Harbour such Person or Persons who have remained or come, or returned into this Kingdom contrary to the said recited Acts or any of them; as also all and every such Officers or Ministers of Justice within their several and respective Jurisdictions, who shall neglect to do his or their duty or duties, in the due Execution of the said two several Acts, or either of them, contrary to the purport and effect of the said recited Acts, or either of them, shall be proceeded against with the utmost Rigour, the said several Acts direct and appoint. And for the better Encouragement of all and every person or persons who shall discover such Popish Arch-Bishop, Bishop, Vicar-General, Dean, Jesuite, Monk, Fryer, and other Regular Popish Clergy exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, who have continued and remained in this Kingdom or returned or come into the same contrary to the said Recited Act for Banishing them, or such Subjects of His Majesty's, who have gone out of this Kingdom into France, or any other part of the French Kings Dominions in Europe, since the Tenth day of April, One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Nine, and have returned or come Voluntarily into this Kingdom from France, or some other of the French Kings Dominions, at any time since the Thre and Twentieth of October, One Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Seven, contrary to the said recited Act in that behalf. We the Lords Justices and Council, do hereby Publish Declare and Promise, that if any person and persons shall discover such Popish Arch-Bishop Bishop, Vicar-General, Dean, Jesuite, Monk, Fryer, or other Regular Popish Clergy Exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, so remaining in this Kingdom, or coming and returning into this Kingdom contrary to the Tenor of the said Acts, or either of them, so as that such person or persons be Apprehended and Convicted for
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Each Offence, the person or persons so Discovering the same, shall for such
 Discovery have and receive for such Discovery as a Reward, the several
 Sums of Money following, viz. For every such Titular Popish Arch-Bi-
 shop or Bishop, the Sum of Fifty pounds; for every such pretended Tempo-
 ral Peer, the Sum of Fifty pounds; for every such pretended War-General,
 or Popish Dean, or other Regular Popish Clergy Exercising Ecclesiastical
 Jurisdiction, Twenty pounds; for every such Jesuite, Fryer or Monk,
 Ten pounds. For every such General Officer of the Army, or reputed as
 such the Sum of Fifty pounds, for every such Field-Officer, or reputed as such
 Thirty pounds; for every such Captain or reputed as such, Twenty pounds;
 for every such Lieutenant, Cornet or Ensign, or reputed as such, Ten
 pounds, and for every other Non-Commissioned Officer and private Soldier
 or other person or persons whatsoever, the Sum of Five pounds. And We
 do hereby Publish and Declare that the said several Rewards and Sums of
 Money shall be paid to the several persons so Discovering the same, upon the
 Conviction of the person and persons respectively, who shall be so Discovered
 and Apprehended, and that without Fee or Reward, upon Application to
 Us. And Lastly, We do hereby strictly Charge and Command all his
 Majesty's Officers and Ministers of Justice within their several and respective
 Jurisdictions and Stations; as also all his Majesty's Good and Loyal Sub-
 jects, that they be Aiding and Assisting in the due Execution of the before recited
 Statutes, as they will answer the same at their peril.

Given at the Council-Chamber in Dublin, the 13th day of September, 1699.

J. Methuen, C. Inchiquin, Mount-Alexander, Cha. Feilding,
Robt. Hammer, Chrs. Wandesford.

God Save the King.

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